

WHEREAS the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Securities Act, findings made by the Judicial Conference of the United States, and the December 25, 2020 Third Amended Standing Order of Chief Judge Colleen McMahon of the Southern District of New York allow


for guilty pleas to be taken by video teleconference, or telephone conference if video teleconferencing is not reasonably available, subject to certain findings made by the District Judge;

WHEREAS the Court understands that the Magistrate Judge on duty shall hear the defendant's plea by telephone if videoconference is not reasonably available;

THE COURT HEREBY FINDS that because defendant VICTOR MANUEL FIGUEROA MOLINEROS has consented to proceeding remotely and for the reason set forth by defense counsel in the parties' letter of January 11, 2021, the plea proceeding cannot be further delayed without serious harm to the interests of justice and may proceed remotely by telephone conference.

SO ORDERED.

Dated: New York, New York  
January 12, 2021



HONORABLE LEWIS A. KAPLAN  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK